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SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Friday, 9 June 2000

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Twenty-third special session

9th plenary meeting

Review and appraisal of progress made in the implementation of the twelve critical areas of concern in the Beijing Platform for Action; further actions and initiatives for overcoming obstacles to the implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action [8 and 9]: *debate:*

The General Assemby heard statements by H.E. Mrs. Makbule Ceco, Deputy Prime Minister of Albania; H.R.H. Princess Basma Bint Talal, Head of the Jordanian National Commission for Women; H.E. Mr. Djamel Ould Abbas, Minister for National Security of Algeria; H.E. Mrs. Aminata Tall, Minister for Family Affairs and National Solidarity of Senegal; H.E. The Hon. Rashida Yoosuf, Minister for Women's Affairs and Social Security of Maldives; H.E. Ms. Alba Tejada de Rolla, Minister for Youth, Women, Childhood and the Family of Panama; H.E. Mrs. Mathabiso Lepono, Minister for Environment, Gender and Youth Affairs of Lesotho; H.E. Mrs. Nonie Mathieu, Minister for the Status and Rights of Women of Haiti; H.E. Mrs. Ramatou Baba-Moussa, Minister for Social Protection and the Family of Benin; H.E. Mrs. Hawa Ahmed Youssouf, Vice-Minister, Office of the Prime Minister of the Republic of Djibouti in charge of Advancement of Women, Family and Social Affairs; H.E. Mr. Ernest Petric, Chairman of the Delegation of Slovenia; Ms. Alba Osores de Lanza, Special Envoy of the President of the Eastern Republic of Uruguay; Mrs. Luul Gebreab, President of the National Union of Eritrean Women; H.E. Mrs. Joan Musa, Special Envoy, Representative of the Prime Minister of Belize; Mrs. Salma Abduljabbar, Counsellor, General People's Congress of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya; and H.E. Mr. Movses Abelian, Chairman of the Delegation of Armenia.

Participation of non-governmental organizations in the debate in the plenary of the twenty-third special session

Pursuant to General Assembly decision 54/466 of 15 March 2000, and on the proposal of the President of the Assembly, the Assembly decided that representatives of the five non-governmental organizations submitted by the President of the Conference of Non-governmental Organizations in Consultative Relationship with the United Nations could make statements in the debate in the plenary of the twenty-third special session, namely: Women in Law and Development in Africa; Mahila Dakshata Samiti; Canadian Research Institute for the Advancement of Women; Centro de la Mujer Peruana "Flora Tristan"; and Alliance for Arab Women.

Note: The PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA and the SUMMARY OF MEETINGS of bodies other than those of the General Assembly at its twenty-third special session appear in Part II (English/French) of the present issue of the *Journal* (No. 2000/111 (Part II)).

10th plenary meeting

Note: The summary of the 10th plenary meeting of the General Assembly will appear in an addendum to the present issue of the *Journal* (No. 2000/111 (Part I)/Add.1)

AD HOC COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE OF THE TWENTY-THIRD SPECIAL SESSION

2nd meeting

Review and appraisal of progress made in the implementation of the twelve critical areas of concern in the Beijing Platform for Action [8]

Further actions and initiatives for overcoming obstacles to the implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action [9]

The Ad Hoc Committee continued its general discussion of the items.

Statements were made by the Director-General of the World Health Organization and the representatives of the World Bank and the International Fund for Agricultural Development.

Statements were also made by the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, the Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Europe and the representative of the Office of the High Commissioner for Refugees.

Statement were also made by the observers for the following non-governmental organizations: non-governmental organization Caucus on Violence Against Women; Uprooted Women's Caucus; Asia Pacific Women Watch; Agencia Latinoamericana de Información; Non-Governmental Organization Committee on Mental Health; International Network of Girls and World Vision; Agence de recherches d'information et de formation pour les femmes; International Self-reliance Agency for Women; Soroptimist International; World Association of Community Radio Broadcast; and African Women's Development Network.

The Ad Hoc Committee thus concluded its general discussion of the items.

3rd meeting

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